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TO:

**Each Supervisor** 

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

**GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)** 

As requested by your Board on June 15, 1999, attached are the report of key GROW statistics for October 2001 and an update on the GROW Program.

We have placed 982 GROW participants in jobs during the month of October. A total of 22,027 participants have found jobs.

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#### **Attachments**

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Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors Chief Administrative Officer County Counsel

# GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW) OCTOBER 2001

| MONTH   | ORIENTATION<br>AND JOB SKILLS<br>ASSESSMENT | ORIENTATION<br>AND JOB SKILLS<br>ASSESSMENT | JOB SKILLS<br>PREPARATION<br>CLASS | JOB SKILLS<br>PREPARATION<br>CLASS | JOB SKILLS<br>PREPARATION<br>CLASS | JOB<br>PLACEMENTS | SELF-<br>INITIATED<br>PROGRAMS<br>(SIPS) |
|---------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 2001    | Scheduled                                   | Showed                                      | Scheduled                          | Showed                             | Completions (1)                    |                   | Ongoing<br>Enrollments                   |
| October | 6,743                                       | 4,652 (69%)                                 | 1,885                              | 1,156 (61%)                        | 589                                | 982               | 799                                      |
|         |                                             |                                             |                                    |                                    |                                    |                   |                                          |

| MONTH   | VOCATIONAL<br>ASSESSMENTS | VOCATIONAL<br>ASSESSMENTS | EDUCATION/<br>TRAINING | EDUCATION/<br>TRAINING | SUPPORTIVE<br>SERVICE<br>REFERRALS | GROW<br>CASELOAD | SANCTIONS |
|---------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 2001    | Scheduled                 | Showed                    | Started                | Completions            | (2)                                |                  |           |
| October | 442                       | 354 (80%)                 | 96                     | 13                     | 235                                | 49,091           | 669       |
|         |                           |                           |                        |                        |                                    |                  |           |
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### Note:

- (1) Job Skills Preparation Class completions counts should not be tied to the scheduled/show counts, as completions include participants who began the 3-week Job Skills Preparation Class in the previous month but completed it in the report month.
- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

## **GROW UPDATE**OCTOBER 2001

### **JOB PLACEMENTS**

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 22,027 participants have become employed through the GROW program.

- South Special GROW held employer recruitment activities on 10/4, 10/11, 10/18 and 10/25.
   Employers included Thomas Staffing, the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles and the City of Compton.
- Rancho Park GROW held employer recruitment activities with Playa Vista Development, Goodwill Industries and Staples. Ninety-five participants attended these recruitments and 15 have been hired thus far.
- On 10/02, Pomona GROW held an October Fest Job Fair at the Pomona YMCA. This event, attended by over 290 participants, featured 39 employers.
- Pomona GROW also held employer recruitment days on 10/18, 10/19 and 10/25 with Goodwill Industries and the Arnold Group Employment Services. Goodwill Industries interviewed nine participants and three have been hired thus far.
- Metro Special GROW held employer recruitment days on 10/17, 10/24 and 10/25 with Ampco System, Laidlaw and the County of Los Angeles. To date, seven participants have been hired.
- On 10/25, Glendale GROW held an on-site job fair in collaboration with the Los Angeles
  County Office of Education. Over 100 participants attended this event. Additionally, on-site
  employer recruitments were held on 10/4 and 10/18 with UPS and Adecco.
- Metro East GROW held employer recruitment activities on 10/5, 10/12, 10/18, 10/19, 10/23, 10/25, 10/26 and 10/29. Employers included Los Angeles County, SportsMart, Food 4 Less, Pic n' Save, Krispy Kreme Donuts and 1st Transit. Over 80 participants attended these activities.
- Lancaster GROW held a Fall Harvest Employment Conference and Job Fair on 10/23 and 10/24 at the United Desert Charities in Lancaster. Over 60 participants attended this two-day event.

### PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

 Through October 2001, the cumulative participation rate for Job Skills Preparation Class continues to be 60%.

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